

CALIFORNIA GAMBLING CONTROL COMMISSION
FINAL TEXT OF PROPOSED REGULATION
ASSISTANCE TO BINGO PLAYERS WITH DISABILITIES
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TITLE 4. BUSINESS REGULATIONS.
DIVISION 18. CALIFORNIA GAMBLING CONTROL COMMISSION.
CHAPTER 8. BINGO.

ARTICLE 1. DEFINITIONS AND GENERAL PROVISIONS.

§ 12482. Assistance to Bingo Players with Disabilities.

~~(a)~~ Pursuant to the provisions of paragraph (6) of subdivision (p) of section 326.5 of the Penal Code, the following requirements are established as means by which the operator of a bingo game shall, as required by applicable law, offer assistance to players with disabilities:

~~(1a)~~ For players with disabilities consistent with definitions set forth in the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) (42 U.S.C. § 12101 *et seq.*), when those disabilities would restrict a player's ability to mark cards:

~~(A1)~~ The operator of a bingo game that offers card-minding devices shall reserve at least two card-minding devices, approved pursuant to Section 12486, for use by disabled players. If there are no requests for use of the reserved card-minding devices prior to fifteen minutes before the scheduled start of a session, the reserved devices may be made available for use by any player.

~~(B2)~~ If the operator of a bingo game, or any other person involved in the conduct of a bingo game, charges players a fee for the use of card-minding devices, players with disabilities as described in ~~paragraph (1)~~ subsection (a) shall not be required to pay that fee or to comply with a minimum purchase requirement imposed on players utilizing card-minding devices, if any. Those players are required to comply with any minimum purchase requirement imposed on all players by an operator.

~~(C3)~~ The operator of a bingo game that offers card-minding devices shall allow players with disabilities as described in ~~paragraph (1)~~ subsection (a) to claim prizes by presenting a printout of a winning card, or other evidence of a winning card approved by the Commission.

~~(2b)~~ For players with disabilities consistent with definitions set forth in the ADA, when those

1 disabilities would restrict a player's ability to verbally announce "BINGO," the operator of a
2 bingo game shall allow those players to utilize a form of visual or audible signaling to notify the
3 operator of a winning pattern or "bingo," which may include a flag, paddle, light, horn, bell or
4 whistle, or other means approved by the Commission.

5 (3c) For players with disabilities consistent with definitions set forth in the ADA, when those
6 disabilities would restrict the players' ability to mark cards, or to announce "BINGO," the
7 operator of a bingo game shall allow another individual to assist the disabled players in the play
8 of bingo. The assisting individual shall not be counted towards the 750-player maximum
9 applicable to remote caller bingo as provided in subdivision (i) of section 326.3 of the Penal
10 Code.

11 Note: Authority Cited: Sections 19850.5, and 19850.6, Business and Professions Code; Sections 326.3 and 326.5,
12 Penal Code. Reference: Sections 19850.5, and 19850.6, Business and Professions Code; Sections 326.3 and 326.5,
13 Penal Code.